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ABSTRACT

With the advent of VLSI, designers are increasingly taking help of automation and regular structures for design of complicated Integrated Circuits. Both automation and regular structure can reduce design time appreaciably. Also design of regular structure is amenable to automation. Programmable Logic Array (PLA) is such a regular structure used for implementing combinational logic functions. But all regular structures provide the ease in design at the price of area. Large amount of area is required for implementing regular structures. A sizeable portion of this area is used only for interconnections. Two methods used for better area utilisation in PLAs are combinational logic minimization and folding. Logic minimization reduces the vertical dimension of a PLA and folding can reduce both the vertical and horizontal dimension of a PLA.

Here six aids are developed for design of PLA. They consist of a combinational logic minimizer, a column folder, two stick diagram generators and two layout diagram generators. The minimization program is based on a heuristic algorithm. The folding procedure is based on Graph Theory. The layout diagram generators break up the PLA into several modules and arrange them according to the input information. All of these aids are written in PASCAL.

Some examples are shown. Improvements are also suggested.

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INTRODUCTION

Since its first appearance in the sixties Integrated Circuits has undergone tremendous changes. More and more devices have been packed into a single chip. The growth in the number of devices in a chip has been exponential [1]. But the concentration of a large number of devices into a chip also brought new problems with it. One is the time required for designing these circuits. With large number of devices (>=100,000) this can become prohibitively long and - is totally unacceptable for VLSI circuits. To overcome these difficulties designers are taking resort to automation and regular structures [1,2,3]. Regular structure has the added attraction of reduction of error. Example of such regular structures are Gate Arrays. Programmable Logic Arrays. and standard cells. With the advent of VLSI they have become indispensible tools for designers. But all of them have the disadvantage of taking larger area. Hence they are modified in such a way that the area is optimized.

Here the design of one such device is considered. It is called programmable logic array (PLA). It was first suggested by Fleisher in 1975 [3]. It can be viewed as an off shoot of Read Only Memories (ROMs). It is used for implementing two level combinational logic function.

A ROM can be divided mainly into two parts. One part is called the decoder and the other part is called the memory.

The decoder decodes the address provided at the input in the sent that it activates a line called word-line. The wordline acti-

vates the required bits of the memory.

As ROMS, PLAs can also be divided into two parts. One part does same thing as decoder but with different intention. It is called the AND plane. Here the word line is called product term. Each product term stands for the product part of the sum of product expression of a boolean function. The other part is called OR plane. This part forms the required sum from the products. They are shown in Fig. 1.1 and 1.2.

PLAs can be conveniently described by a matrix called personality matrix. For each input and output there is one column in this matrix. Each row of this matrix correspondence to a product term. At the intersection of an input column and a row an I is placed if the non-inverted value of that input is present in that product term. An O is placed if the inverted i value is present. An X is placed if the input is not present in that product term. Similarly an I is placed in a output column if that product term is present in that output. An X is placed if it is not present.

A PLA can be implemented both with bipolar devices and with MOS devices. With bipolar devices it is implemented in AND-OR configuration. In MOS technology it is implemented in NOR-NOR configuration. Here only MOS implementation is described. Circuit diagram of the PLA in Fig. 1.2 is shown in Fig. 1.3.

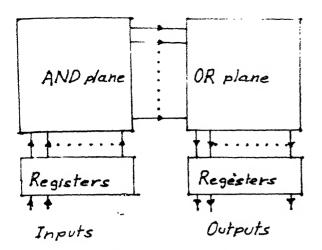
A great deal of elements in the personality matrix are X's.

This implies that a good deal of silicon area is used for inter-

connections only. This waste is impermissible. Also to reduce silicon area number of products should be made as small a possible. This is done through combinational logic minimization. The first defect is overcome with folding.

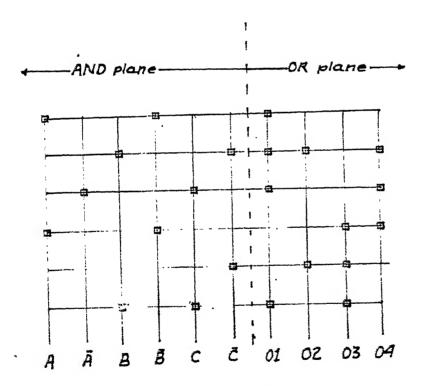
PLAs are used in control circuits of microprocessors. It is used in Intel 8086 and Bit-Mac-32 processors. It is also used in ALUs. Schmookler [4] reported making adders with PLA. Golden [5] reported making complete processers with PLAs. It is also used for the combinational logic in the feedback path of sequential circuits, as multiplier as character generators for cathode ray tube [6].

Chapter 2 deals with circuits used to implement PLAs. Chapter 3 describes the general design approach taken by designers. Chapter 4 and Chapter 5 deal with minimization and folding respectively. Chapter 6 and chapter 7 describe stick diagram generation and layout diagram generation respectively. In chapter 8 some examples are shown.



Genral Structure of a PLA

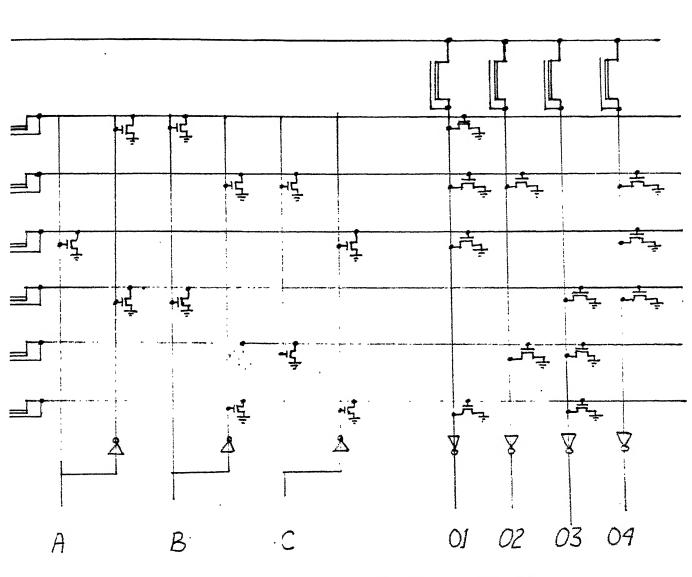
Fig. 1.1



XXCXIIX OXIIXXI OXIIXXI IOXIXXI

Personality Matrix

Fig. 1.2



Circuit Diagram of the PLA in Fig. 1.1 (NMOS Realisation)

Fig.1.3

CIRCUITS FOR PLA

2.1 THE TECHNOLOGIES AVAILABLE

One important consideration in the design of PLAs is the type of device to be used. The most prevalent are the NMOS devices with enhancement type driver and depletion type load. Enhancement type transistor is rarely used as load device. Another type of device is CMOS. There is one more type of device, it is a kind of cross between CMOS and NMOS. It uses a NMOS driver and a PMOS load. The following is an account of them. Only inverters are considered, as they are the basic building block of the above technologies. All the anlyses are carried out through SPICE.

2.2 NMOS. WITH ENHANCEMENT TYPE DRIVER AND DEPLETION TYPE LOAD

Fig. 2.1(a) shows the circuit diagram of such an inverter. Fig. 2.1(b) shows a layout diagram. These type of devices consist the bulk of digital ICs. The following is a SPICE input deck for such an inverter. The device parameters are taken from [20].

NMOS ENH PULLDOWN WITH NMOS DEP LOAD

MPU 3 2 2 0 NDEP L=20U W=5U AS=100P AD=100P PS=30U PD=30U MPD 2 1 0 0 NENH L=5U W=10U AS=100P AD=100P PS=30U PD=30U

C1 2 0 1PF

VSUP 3 0 5V

VIN 1 O PULSE O 5 20N O O 200N 600N

- .DC VIN 0 5 0.25
- .PRINT DC V(2) V(1)
- .TRAN 10NS 600NS

- , MODEL NENH NMOS LEVEL=3 RSH=35 TOX=300E-10 LD=0.21E-6
- +XJ=0.3E-6 VMAX=15E4 ETA=0.18 NSUB=3.5E14 U0=700
- +THETA=0.095 VTO=0.78 CGSO=2.8E-10 CGDO=2.8E-10
- +CJ=5.75E-5 CJSW=2.48E-10 PB=0.7 MJ=0.5 MJSW=0.3 NFS=1E10
- .MODEL NDEP NMOS LEVEL=3 RSH=35 TOX=300E-10 LD=0.21E-6
- +XJ=0.3E-6 VMAX=15E4 ETA=0.18 NSUB=35E14 UD=700 THETA=0.035
- +VTO=-2.23 CGSO=2.8E-10 CGDO=2.8E-10 CJ=5.75E-5
- +CJSW=2.48E-10 PB=0.7 MJ=0.5 MJSW=0.3 NFS=1E10 END

The DC transfer characteristic is shown in Fig. 2.4. The transient response is shown in Fig. 2.5.

2.3 CMOS INVERTER

Designers have been trying to use CMOS in PLAs because of its lower power dissipation. Their main disadvantage is that they tend to occupy larger area because every NMOS device is accompanied by a complementary PMOS device. Although PMOSes are inherently slower than NMOSes, CMOS can be made fast at the expense of area. Fig. 2.2(a) shows the circuit diagram and Fig. 2.2(b) shows the layout of a CMOS inverter. The following is a SPICE input deck for such an inverter. The device parameters are taken from [20].

NMOS PULLDOWN WITH PMOS LOAD WITH GATE GROUNDED

MPD 2 1 0 0 NM L=5U W=10U PD=40U PS=40U AS=100P AD=100P

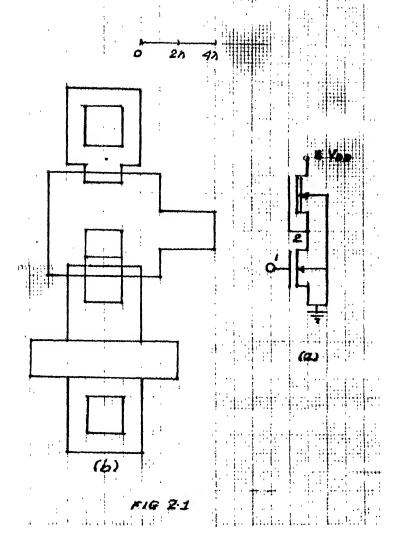
MPU 2 1 3 3 PM L=5U W=10U PD=40U PS=40U AD=100P AS=100P

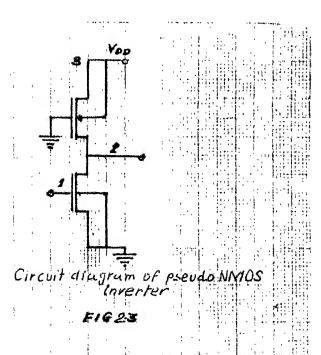
VSUP 3 0 5V

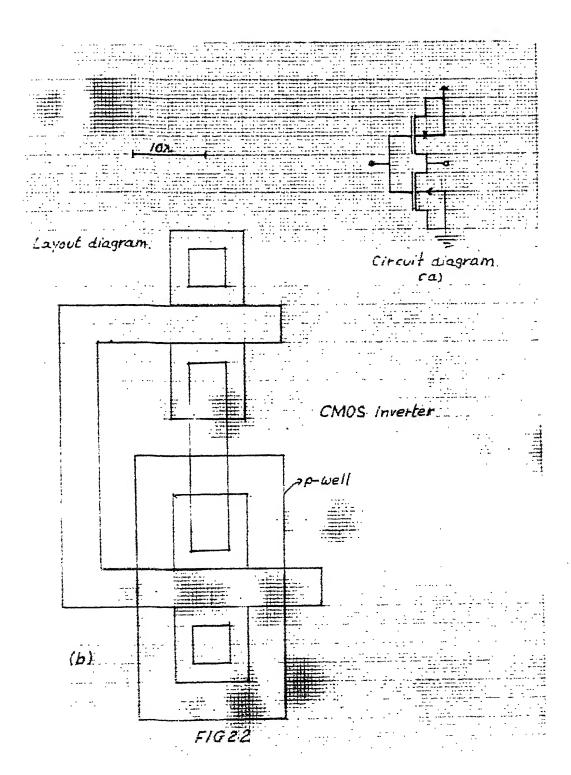
VIN 1 O PULSE O 5 20N O 0 200N 600N

C1 2 0 1 PF

- .DC VIN 0 5 0.25
- .PRINT DC V(1) V(2)
- TRAN 10N 500NS
- .PRINT TRAN V(1) V(2) I(VSUP)







+CJ=1.6E-4 CJSW=1.5E-10 UO=550 VTO=1.03 CGSO=1.33E-10 +CGDO=1.33E-10 NSUB=4E15 THETA=0.06 ETA=0.14 VMAX=12E4 +PB=0.7 MJ=0.5 MJSW=0.3 NFS=1E10 .MODEL PM PMOS LEVEL=3 RSH=100 TOX=250E-10 LD=0.1E-6 +XJ=0.6E-6 CJ=7E-4 CJSW=4.5E-10 UO=220 VTO=-0.66 +CGSO=5.5E-10 CGDO=5.5E-10 TPG=-1 NSUB=5E15 ETA=0.06 +THETA=0.03 VMAX=17E4 PB=0.7 MJ=0.5 MJSW=0.3 NFS=1E10 .END

The DC transfer characteristic is shown in Fig. 2.4. The transient response is shown in Fig. 2.5.

2.4 PSEUDO NMOS

PMOS

This is a type of logic which uses/as load device and NMOS as driver device. But here, as in CMOS, every NMOS device does not accompany a PMOS device. So the area requirement is less than CMOS. It is an effort to simulate CMOS characteristics without paying the price in area. Here the logic low (positive logic) is not zero volt, as the PMOS, with its gate grounded is not cutoff only saturated. Hence there will be a current through it. Fig. 2.3 shows the circuit diagram of such an inverter with the gate grounded. Its layout is similar to that of CMOS (only for an inverter) with only minor modifications. The SPICE input deck for such a device is shown below

NMOS PULLDOWN WITH PMOS LOAD WITH GATE GROUNDED

MPD 2 1 0 0 NM L=5U W=10U PD=40U PS=40U AS=100P AD=100P MPU 2 0 3 3 PM L=10U W=5U PD=40U PS=40U AD=100P AS=100P VSUP 3 0 5V

C1 2 0 1PF

- .DC VIN 0 5 0.25
- •PRINT DC V(1) V(2)
- .TRAN 10N 500NS
- •PRINT TRAN V(1) V(2) I(VSUP)
- .MODEL NM NMOS LEVEL=3 RSH=35 TOX=250E-10 LD=0.1E-6 XJ=0.14E-6
- +CJ=1.6E-4 CJSW=1.5E-10 UO=550 VTO=1.03 CGSO=1.33E-10
- +CGDO=1.33E-10 NSUB=4E15 THETA=0.06 ETA=0.14 VMAX=12E4
- +PB=0.7 MJ=0.5 MJSW=0.3 NFS=1E10
- .MODEL PM PMOS LEVEL=3 RSH=100 TOX=250E-10 LD=0.1E-6
- +XJ=0.6E-6 CJ=7E-4 CJSW=4.5E-10 UO=220 VTO=-0.66
- +CGSO=5.5E-10 CGDO=5.5E-10 TPG=-1 NSUB=5E15 ETA=0.06
- +THETA=0.03 VMAX=17E4 PB=0.7 MJ=0.5 MJSW=0.3 NFS=1E10
- . END

The DC transfer characteristic is shown in Fig. 2.4. The transient response is shown in Fig. 2.5.

2.5 THE BASIC GATES

2.5.1 For NMOS

The basic gates are NAND and NOR, they are shown in Fig. 2.6(a) and Fig. 2.6(b) for two inputs in the NOR gate when any of the inputs X and Y is high, there is a path for current to flow to the ground, resulting in low output. For both the case three transistors are required.

2.5.2 For CMOS

Here also the basic gates are NAND and NOR. They are show in Fig. 2.7(a) and 2.7(b) respectively. Here the number of gates increases to 4 for each gate. In either high or low con-

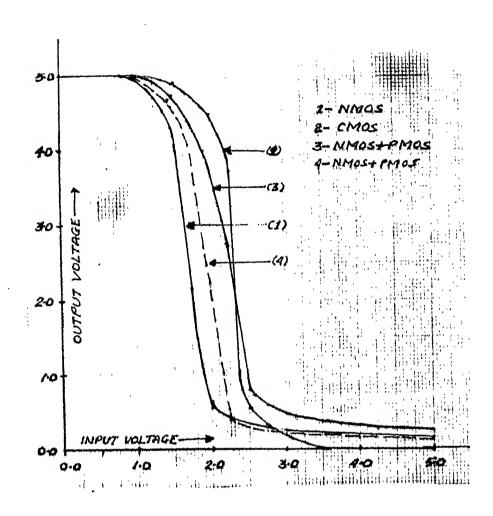


Fig. 2.4 DC Transfer Characteristic

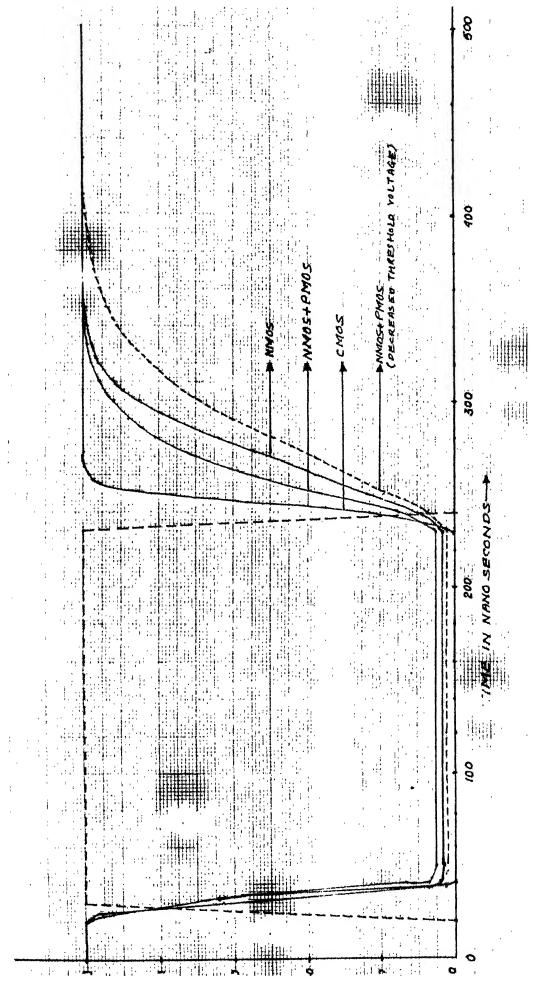


Fig. 2.5 Transient Response

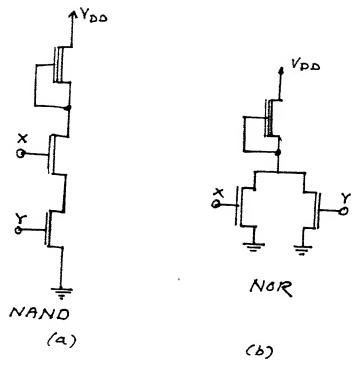


Fig.2.6 NMOS Gates

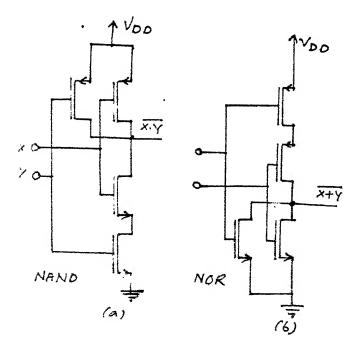
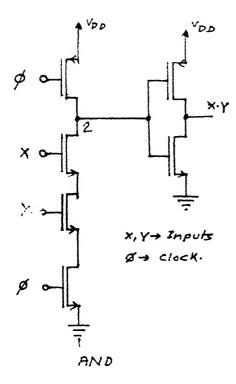


Fig.2.7 OVPS Gates

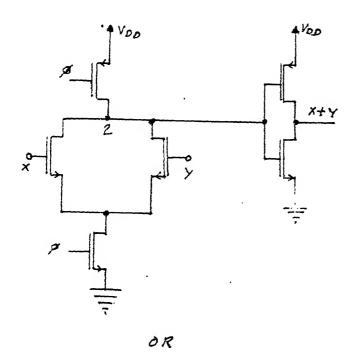
dition of output there is no current through the devices, current flows only in transition.

2.5.3 For Pseudo NMOS

This type of configuration is usually used in dynamic circuits. One reason is the consumption of considerable power as shown by the SPICE analysis. The basic gates here are AND and OR [21]. Fig. 2.8(a) and 2.8(b) show the AND gate and the OR gate respectively. These type of circuits consist of two parts the dynamic part and the static CMOS inverter part. The CMOS inverter acts as a buffer. The source of the PMOS device in the dynamic part is connected to supply. The bottom NMOS has its gate connected to a clock. The gate of the PMOS is also connected to the same clock. When the clock is low the bottom NMOS device is off, but the PMOS device is on, this results in prechanging of node 2 to Vnn. This period is called prechang-During this period the output of the CMOS buffer ing period. is low. When the clock Ø is high PMOS is off and NMOS is on. Then the node 2 dischanges or remains unchanged depending on the condition of the inputs. This period is called evaluation period. No type of inverted output (i.e. NOR, NAND or NOT) can be obtained from this type of gate. For this CMOS inverte is used. In practical circuits it is reported to be faster than CMOS [21]. One reason for this is that each output in CMOS has to drive twice the number of gates in pseudo NMOS. Hence the capacitance to be charged is reduced to half.



(a) Pseudo NMOS AND Gate



(b) Pseudo MOS OR Gate

Fig. 2.8 Pseudo NMOS Gates

2.6 <u>COMPARISON</u>

Table 1 shows the characteristic of a typical inverter of each device . From this table it can be seen that for all the devices logic high is 5.0V. The logic low of the pseudo NMOS inverter is higher than the others. This can be a disadvantage Its noise margin is slightly larger than in some situation. that of total NMOS inverter. Progation delay of it is between that of CMOS inverter and NMOS inverter. This is a distinct advantage over NMOS inverter. From the area point of view NMOS is far superior to the others, especially to CMOS. From the power dissipation point of view CMOS is the best. In case of pseudo NMOS when the output is high the PMOS is on, when the output goes low the PMOS remains on too long. This can be modified by suitable threshold voltage for the PMOS. The gate here can not be connected to supply and also to the drain. The values after failuring of threshold voltage is shown in bracket. dashed curve in Fig. 4 and 5 is for pseudo NMOS inverter with changed threshold voltage. From these it is seen that whereas dc characteristic has improved the transient response/become very slow.

In real circuits pseudo NMOS devices are of the same speed as that of CMOS. Because in CMOS capacitance connected in to each output is double that of pseudo NMOS. Using dynamic gates the power consumption can be reduced very much. The saving in area is also significant. As each stage contains a buffer this gate is suitable for driving circuits with large fan out (such

Table 1

Quantity	NMOS	Pseudo -NMOS	CMOS
1. Logic high, VoH volts	5,0	5.0(5.0)	5.0
2. Logic low, VoL volts	0.15	0.25(0.119)	0
3. Transition width volts	0.5	0.6(0.8)	0.5
4. Noise margin MN, volts	1.35	1.4(1.291)	2.0
5. Propagation Delay, nsec.	20	15.5(27)	9.5
6. Rise time, tr, nsec.	66	58(92)	16
7. Fabrication complexity	Simpler, 8 masks are needed	More comp- licated,10 masks are needed	More com licated masks ar needed.
8. Average Power dissipation, μW	225.8	402,5(136)	41.6
9. Area, ratio	1	2.4 (only for inverter)	2.4

Here PLAs with only NMOS devices are considered.

DESIGN METHODOLOGY OF THE PLA

3.1 INTRODUCTION

As ICs are evolving, their design methods are also evolving. Initially, when ICs contained about a hundred transitio their design was not a time consuming proposition. Till LSI customs design approach was found suitable, though a bit time consuming. To reduce design time designers took recourse to automation. In VLSI the number of devices is so large that partial automation of ICs becomes a necessity. For design automation structures having regularity are found to be suitable [1],[2],[3] and [5].

3.2 PLA DESIGN

Usually PLAs are parts of an LSI/VLSI system. They are used to realise combinational logic functions required in a chip. Hence connection of PLAs to other parts of the IC should be considered carefully in the over all design of the chip. PLAs are considered as macros. Macro is an aggregate of circuits which have high internal connectivity and appears together when physically implemented. They are used like NAND, NOR gates.

The workbench for designing PLA has a combinational logic minimizer, a logic simulator, a folder, a code generator for error detection, layout generator and a worst case path simulator [29]. PLA design consists of two parts, logical design and physical design. In logical design the function in the input specification

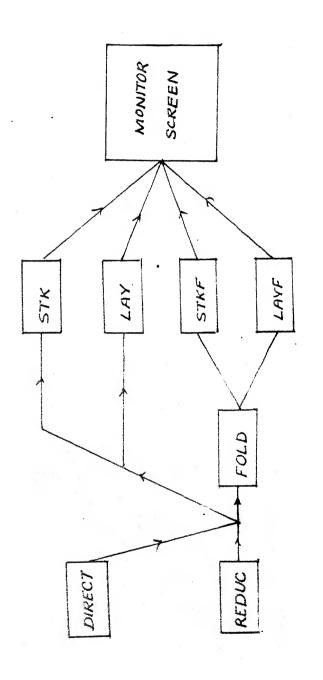


Fig. 3.1 PLAGE

expression for the function goes to the folder. After this the whole chip is simulated for logic verification in a logic simulator. If appropriate results are obtained in this stage then physical design is started. In physical design the layout of the PLA with other parts of the integrated circuit is generated. It is then checked if all the design rules are followed or not. At this stage the circuit characteristics of the IC is evaluated. The worst case path simulator mentioned above gives the maximum delay and other circuit properties of the PLA.

3.3 PLAGE

Here a subset of such a system is described. It contains a logic minimizer, a folder (only column), stick diagram generator and layout diagram generator. The name of the system is PLAGE (PLA Generator). Fig. 3.1 shows the relation between the PLA design aid programs in PLAGE. They are seven in number.

The program REDUC is for combinational logic minimization.

The criterion taken here for minimising logic function is the number of product terms. This criterion is very suitable for PLAs. The output from this program can be input to the programs in the next stage as shown in Fig. 3.1.

FOLD is a program for folding a PLA. Its input can come either from DIRECT or REDUC. The program outputs the column pairs that can be folded along with a compatible row ordering.

The program STK can draw the stick diagram of an unfolded PLA. Its input is the output of REDUC or DIRECT. STKF can draw the stick diagram of a folded PLA. Its input is the output of program FOLD. The output of both of these program is a graphic monitor.

LAY can draw the layout diagram of an unfolded PLA. Similarly LAYF can draw the layout diagram of a folded PLA.

have been
All of these programs / implemented in the ND-500 Computer of the CAD centre of I.I.T., Kanpur. All the programs are written in PASCAL. As no graphic package in PASCAL is available, these are written with the help terminal graphic facilities. The terminals available are Tektronic 4100 series graphic terminals.

The REDUC program has been used successfully for 6 input 6 out
""t combinational logic functions. FOLD has been used success
ly for 50 columns PLAs. It has been seen that the display

terminals is not very good for PLAs larger than 20 columns.

The criterion for logic minimization can be changed so that a number of folding obtained is larger thus minimising the area most. This can be done by adding the second criterion that the number of X_s in the personality matrix is a maximum. This will increase the probability of folding.

The input and output formats of the programs are explained in the Appendix A.

MINIMIZATION

4.1 THE NECESSITY OF LOGIC MINIMIZATION

Logic minimization is an important part of PLA design, for otherwise considerable area will be wasted if the product terms are minterms. Logic minimization can reduce the number of rows in a PLA drastically. Without minimization folding also becomes less effective.

4.2 METHODS USED FOR MINIMIZATION

Broadly the methods can be divided into two types. One is heuristic and the other is deterministic. Deterministic methods are always able to find out the optimal minimization, though in doing so it may take large amount of time. Among these are those in [7], [8], [11], [22] and [23]. The other type is heuristic. They are able to find out a near optimal solution but in less time. Heuristic methods are computationally more complex. Examples of heuristic methods are MINI [24], PRESTO [25], PRONTO [26] and ESPRESSO II [27].

4.3 DEFINITION OF TERMS [9]

- I :- stands for non inverted variable
- O E- stands for inverted variable
- X :- don't care

Prime Implicant :- A prime implicant P of a combinational logic
function f is a product term which is covered by f, and de-

letion of a literal from which results in a new product term which is not covered by f.

<u>Cover</u>: A set of prime implicants which contains all the minterms of a function.

Substraction: Let p and q be two product terms. Then p-q means the set of minterms which are contained in p but not in q. Thus if for a single output function we have the product terms IXOX and IOOO, then IXOX-1000 = 110X, 1XOI, here the set of minterms is expressed in terms of prime implicants.

<u>Contain</u>: A product term contains another if all the minterms of the second is also contained in the first. If a contains b then $b \not \in a$.

4.4 DESCRIPTION OF THE MINIMIZATION METHOD

4.4.1 For Single Output Function

The method will be described with an example. The Karnaugh map (K-map) of Fig. 4.1 defines the function.

The method is divided into two parts. The first part finds out the prime implicants and the second part finds out the minimal cover.

The criterion selected for minimization is the number of product of

	00	01	11	10	
00	00	01	13	02	
01	04	I ₅	I ₇	^I 6	
11	112	I ₁₃	I ₁₅	a ₁₄	
10	I ₈	19	111	110	

Fig. 4.1

terms, [10], [22] and [28]. The starting point of the first part of the procedure is the choice of the initial product term as XXXX. Now from this product term one maxterm is substracted. (i.e. those in the K-map with O). In the example the first subtrahend is 0000. After substraction the minuend is deleted from the list of product. We get the list in L1. Now from the K-map another maxterm is selected and deleted from this list. The choosen maxterm is 0001.

Now in list Li. term I does not contain this maxterm, 1IXXX 2XIXX hence remains unaltered. So is for terms2 and 3. **3XXIX** 4XXXI Term 4 contains the choosen maxterms. Hence it is L1 substracted from term 4. Term 4 is deleted from the 1 IXXX 2XIXX list and the terms resulting from substraction is **3XXIX** 4IXXI added to the list. This is shown in L2. Starting **5XIXI** 6XXII from L2. the list should be cleared of redundant terms. L2 In L2 we have term 4¢ term 1, term 5¢ term 2 and 1 IXXX term 60 term 3. So terms 4.5 and 6 can be deleted 2XIXX **3XXIX** from the list. The list we get after this is shown L2 * in L2'. The next subtrahend choosen is OOIO. We have OOIO & term 3. After substraction we get the list in 1 IXXX 2XIXX In this list we have term 40 term 2 and term 50 **3XXII** L3-**4XIIX** So terms 4 and 5 can be deleted from the list. **5IXIX** The modified list is L3'. The next term to be subs-L3 tracted is OIOO. It is contained only in term 2 of L3. LIXXX 2XIXX After substraction we get the list L4. In L4 we have 3XXII L3* term 30 term 1. After deletion of term 3 we get the

1IXXX 2XXII 3IIXX 4XIIX 5XIXI L4 1IXXX 2XXII 3XIIX	is cont subltir Hence t	ained ng list erm 6	in ter is L5 is del	ms 1,2	and 3 o 5 term The res	d is 1110. f L4'. Th 6¢ term 4, ulting lis e the prim	term 7.
4XIXI	cants.						
L4'							
	These a	re sho	wn in	the K-m	ap of F	ig. 4.2	
1IOXX 2IXOX 3IXXI 4XXII	TOVY	00	00 0 ₀	01 0 ₁	11 1 ₃	10 0 ₂	
5011X 6XIII	IOXX IXXI	01	04	1 ₅	¹ 7	1 ₆	
7XIXI L5	XXII	11	112	1 ₁₃	I ₁₅	114	
	OIIX I5!	10	1 ₈	I ₉	111	I ₁₀	

Fig. 4.2

The second part finds out the minimal cover with respect to number of product terms. To each term of the prime implicant list a weight is attached. This is the number of minterms not yet covered but contained in the prime implicant. Let B be a set containing the minterms, not yet covered. A be a set containing all the minterms covered till now. Initially B contains all the minterms and A is empty. If Ci is the set of minterms contained in the prime implicant and W_i is the weight at present of the prime implicant then.

 $W_1 = |C_1 \cap B|$ (where |x| implies the number of elements in X).

The initial situation is shown in Fig. 4.3.

L5 '

W	Prime In	<u>mplican</u>	<u>ts</u>
4 4 4	10XX 1XOX 1XXI XXII	B = A =	3,5,7,6,12,13,15,8,9,10,11 Ø
4	Olix		

Fig 4.3

Now from this list one prime implicant with the highest weight is selected. This/is to a list called selected. Then the set A are and B/adjusted. B is modified to contain all those minterms not contained in any selected prime implicants. (i.e. $B \leftarrow B - B \cap C_1$) and A is modified to contain all the minterms that are covered by the prime implicants choosen till now. (i.e. $A \leftarrow AUC_1$). This is shown in Fig. 4.4.

W	Prime	Implica	<u>nt</u>	
0 2 2 3 4 2	10XX 1XXI XXII XIXI O11X	B = A =	3,5,7,6,12,13,15 8,5,10,11	selected 10XX.

Fig. 4.4.

The situation after each selection is shown in Fig. 4.5. This process of selecting the prime implicant with highest weight and readjusting the sets, weights and lists is continued till $A = \emptyset$. (i.e. when all the weights are 0).

```
Prime Implicants
W
0
      10XX
                       3,6,12
                 B =
10
      1XOX
                       8,9,10,11,5,7,13,15
      1XXI
                                                 selected
2
      XXII
                                                    10XX
1
      011X
                                                    XIXI
Ō
      XIXI
W
     Prime Implicants
0
      10XX
                        3,6
                 B ==
0
      1XOX
                        8,9,10,11,5,7,13,15
0
      1XXI
                                                  selected
1
      IIXX
                                                    10XX
0
      XIXI
                                                    XIXI
      011X
                                                    1XOX
W
     Prime Implicants
0
      10XX
                 B ==
                        6
0000
      1XOX
                       8,9,10,11,9,7,13,15,3
      1XXI
      XX11
                                                  selected
      XIXI
                                                    10XX
      011X
                                                    IXIX
                                                    1XOX
                                                    XXII
      Prime Implicants
0
      10XX
                  B = \emptyset
Ó
      1X01
0
                        8,9,10,11,5,7,13,15,3,6
8
                                                selected
      VIIO
                                                   10XX
                                                   IXIX
                                                   1XOX
                                                   O11X
XXII
```

Fig. 4.5

4.4.2 For Multiple Output Function

For multiple output function also the method is similar but be here another part called Tag is attached to each prime implicant and each subtrahend (maxterms) to indicate their presence or absence in an output. In case of subtrahend an I means the subtrahend is a maxterm of that particular output an X means the subtrahend is a minterms. In case of product terms an I implies the presence the product term in the output and an X implies absence. For a output there can be four combinations of I and X of tags of product term and subtrahend. They/I and I, I and X, X and I and X and X,. The first stands for product term. I and I implies the subtrahend is a maxterm and the product term is contained in the output. If the input part of subtrahend is contained is the input part of the product term then there resultants input parts are same/that of single output function but the output tag having X where there is a (I and X), (X and X) and (X and I) There will be one additional resultant with the tag having I where there were (I and X) combinations; and all others X; the input part remains unaltered. The procedure is explained with an 'example. The function is defined in the K-maps of Fig. 4.6.

	00	01	11	10
00	0	11	03	12
01	14	15	17	06
11	112	¹ 13	115	114
10	08	18	111	110

	00	01	11	10
00	¹ 0	11	03	12
01	04	15	17	¹ 6
11	112	113	118	014
10	08	09	011	110

00	01	11	10
10	11	13	02
14	15	17	06
012	113	¹ 15	012
18	09	011	110

The maxterms with tags are

00001XX 00101XI 0100XIX 01101XI 110011XI 100011X 1001XII 1011XII

Fig. 4.6

Substracting OOOOIXX from XXXXIII we get

XXXX'XII 1XXX'1XX X1XX'1XX XXIX'1XX XXXI'IXX L1

Next substracting OOLOXXI from L1 we get list L2.

1XXXXX[†]XIX In L2 2 and 6 are similar in their input parts only 21XXX**'**1XX 3X1XX'1XX hence they can be replaced by a single term con-4XXIX'1XX 5XXXI'1XX taining the same input part but different output 61XXX'XXI 7XIXX'XXI part. The tag part will have an I whenever either 8XXOX'XXI of the tags of 2 or 6 has an I. Similar is the 9XXXI*XXI L2 case for 3 and 7 and 5 and 9. After doing these 1XXXXX*XIX we get the modified list L2'. The operation just 21XXX**'**1XI 3XIXX'1XI described can be represented by :=. So we have 4XXXI'1XI 5XXIX'1XX 2:=6 : 3:=7 : 5:=9: 6XXOX'XXI L2'

Next 0011 LLX is mubstracted. This maxterm is contained in terms 1,4 and 5 of L2. Substraction from term 1 yields the terms 4,5,6 and 7 in L3. Substracting from 4 in L2 we get the terms 8,9,10 and 11 in L3. 11 is the term where we get the I

11XXX*1XI 2XIXX'1XI 3XXOX XXI 41XXX'XIX 5XIXX*XIX 6XXOX*XIX 7XXXO*XIX 81XXI'1XX 9XIXI 1XX 10XX01 1XX 11XXXI XXXI 121XIX**'**1XX 13XIIX*1XX 14XX10*1XX L3 11XXXX 1111 2XIXX*111 3XXOX X11 4XXXO'XIX 5XX01 1XX 6XXXI 'XXI 7XX10*1XX L3' 11XXX*111 2XX01 1XX 3XXXI'XXI 4XXIO'1XX 5XIXX'1XI 611XX*XIX 7X11X*XIX XIXI*XIX 9XXOX*XXI 101XOX*XIX 11X00X*XIX 12XX01 *XIX 131XXO*XIX 14XOXO*XIX 15XX10*XIX

L4

and X combination mentioned above. Substracting from 5 we get the terms 12, 13 and 14 in Now one terms is contained in another if in input (reverse for output) it has I and O in all the places/where the second term has them. If a is contained in b then it is written adb. Also in some cases the input parts may satisfy the just mentioned condition but tag part may not. In that case if there is an I and I combination in tag the corresponding I in a is converted to an X. This can be represented by a *: For L3 we have 1302. 801,902,1201, 1:=4, 2:=5, 3:=6. After doing these we get L3'. Next OlOOXIX is substracted. We get list L4. Substracting from 2 we get 5. 6.7 and 8 of list L4. From 3 we get 9,10,11 and 12 of L4. From 4 we 13.14 and 15. In L4 we have 601. 1001. 1301. 2:=12 and 4:=15. Then we get list L4'.

2XX01 11X 3XXXI XX1 4XX10 11X 5XIXX 1XI 6XIIX XIX 7XIXI XIX 8XX0X XXI 9X00X XIX 10X0XO XIX

11XXXX111

Substracting OllOlXI from L4' we get L5 and L5'.

```
11XXXX*111
                                      1 1XXX'111
 2XX01 *11X
                                      2 XX01 11X
 3XXX1 *XX1
              9C1
                                      3 XXXI *XXI
 4X1X1 'XIX
             11C1
                                      4 XIXI'111
 5XXOX*XXI
             4:=14
                                      5 XXOX'XX1
 XIX'XCOX6
                                      6 XOOX'XIX
 7XOXO'XIX
                                      7 XOXO*XIX
 XXX10'XIX
                                      8 XXIO'XIX
 91X10'1XX
                                      9 X010 1XX
10X010'1XX
                                     10 X10X 1X1
1111XX'1X1
                                     11 X11X*XIX
12X1XI'1X1
                                           L5 1
14X11X'XIX
    L5
```

Substracting 100,XXI from L5' we get L6 and L6'.

1 XXO1 '11X 2 XXXI 'XXI 3 X1XI '111 4 XOOX 'X1X 5 XOXO 'X1X 6 XX1O 'X1X 7 XO1O '1XX 8 X11X 'X1X 9 1 XXX '11X 10 1 OXX 'XXI 11 1 X1X 'XXI 12 1 XXI 'XXI	12C2 2*3 15C2 17C2 16C18 4:=14	1 XXO1 11X 2 XXXI 1XXI 3 XIXI 11X 4 XOOX 1XII 5 XOXO 1XIX 6 XX1O 1XX 7 XO1O 1XX 8 X11X 1XIX 9 1XXX 11X 10 10 XX 1XXI 11 1XIX 1XXI 12 0 XX 1 XXI 13 Y 10 Y 1 XX
130X0X*XXI 14X00X*XXI		13X10X*1XX
15XX01'XX1 16010X'XX1		L6*
17X111'XX1 18X10X'1XX		

L6

Continuing in this manner ultimately we will get

3 OXOX XXI 4 X10X XIX 5 OX10 XIX	210X0'XX1 30X01'XIX	2 X010'11X	
7 000X XIX 8 00X0 XIX	5 1XX1 1XX 5 1XX1 2XX1	4 X10X *XIX 5 0X10 *XIX 6 011X *XIX 7 000X *XIX 8 00X0 *XIX	14L01X*11 151XX1*1
7 000X*XIX	5 1XX1 1XX	4 X10X *XIX 5 0X10 *XIX 6 011X *XIX 7 000X *XIX 8 00X0 *XIX	151XX 1*1

The second part of the procedure finds out the minimal cover with respect to number of product terms. This part also is similar to the corresponding part of a single output function. Here the number of set A and B is n_0 , no. of output, each. Let W_i be the weight of prime implicant i and let j be any output. Also let e_{ij} be a number which is 1 if prime implicant i belongs to output o_j . The following expression evaluates the weight.

$$W_{i} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_{o}} e_{ij} |B_{j} \cap C_{i}|$$

where |B| gives the number of elements belonging to set B.

Set A_j contains all the minterms belonging to output j, which have been included in some prime implicant i (belonging to j) selected so far for the minimal cover. The union of A_j and B_j gives all the minterms of the output j.

After each selection set A_j and B_j is modified. Let A_j' and B_j' be/modified sets then

$$A_j' = A_j \# C_i$$
, for all j=1 to n_0 and $e_{ij} = 1$.
 $B_j' = B_j - C_i$, for all j=1 to n_0 and $e_{ij} = 1$.

The Initially we have

$$B_j = C_i$$
, for all prime implicant having $e_{ij} = 1$.
 $A_j = \emptyset$.

After the weights have been calculated and set A_j and B_j initialized, the prime implicant with the highest weight is selec-

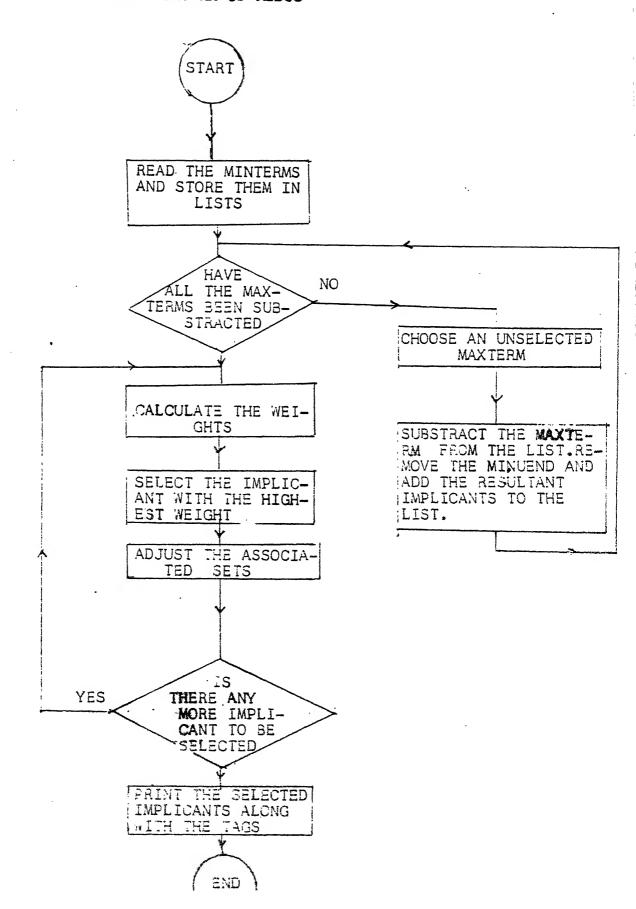
The next prime implicant to be selected is XOlOllX. Continuing in this manner the final situation in Fig. 4.9 will be obtained.

```
W
   XIXI
0
          111
   X010
          11X
0
                     A_1 = \{1,2,4,5,7,12,13,15,9,11,10\}
   OXOX
          XXI
   X10X
                     B_2 = \emptyset
          1XX
0
   0X10
          X1X
0
                     A_2 = \{0,1,2,5,7,6,12,13,15,10\}
0
   011X
          X1X
0
   000X
          XIX
   OOXO
           XIX
                     A_3 = \{0,1,3,4,5,7,13,15,8,10\}
   110X
           11X
0
   XX01
           1XX
0
   OXX1
           XX1
                              Selected
   X000
           XXI
0
                              XIXIIII
0
   10X0
           XX1
                              X01011X
    OX01
0
           XIX
                              OXOXXXI
0
    101X
           1XX
                              X10XIXX
    1XX1
           1XX
                              XIXXOO0
                              XX011XX
                              10X0XX1
                              110X11X
                              OXXIXXI
                              101X1XX
```

Fig. 4.9.

This selection procedure does not always give the minimum number of terms. This type of procedure is called Greedy Procedure. In some problems such a greedy strategy pays off. In these, the best local solution is also the best global solution. But is not neccessarily true for every problem. There is a similar problem in Set Theory called Set Cover [17], where this greedy method does not always *work . These things make the above procedure heuristic.

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FOLDING.

5.1 INTRODUCTION

This chapter explains the folding procedure. Folding is done to reduce the silicon area occupied by a PLA. Usually the personality matrix of a PLA contains a great deal of dont care This means that a large amount of area is wasted only for interconnections. This wastage is not desirable, hence these Xs should not be implemented in the PLA. To do this folding is done. If the personality matrix of a PLA consists of about 40% Xs, then only 60% of the PLA is used for active devi-Folding splits a physical line into two or more segments so that different signals may share a common physical vertical or horizontal track. The objective of folding is to obtain on arrangement of vertical and horizontal lines so that the combinational logic function can be implemented into the smallest possible physical array [12]. The problem is shown to be NP complete [13]. So it is almost impossible to find out an efficient solution. Fig. 5.1 gives an example of folding.

If a PLA contains n_c columns and n_r rows then the area occupied by the PLA is proportional to $n_c \times n_r$. Now if n_{rf} pairs of rows and n_{cf} pairs of columns are folded then the area of the resulting PLA is $(n_c-n_{cf})\times(n_r-n_{rf})$. Here only column folding is considered.

5-2 DEFINITION OF TERMS

The ith row is indicated by r_i and the j column is indicated by c_i .

Two rows r_i and r_j are said to be disjoint if they do not have I or O in the same column. Thus in Fig. 5.1 r_3 and r_2 are disjoint. Two columns c_i and c_j are said to be disjoint if they do not have I or O in the same row.

A row r_i is said to be adjacent to a column c_j if the r_ic_j the element of the personality matrix is I or O.

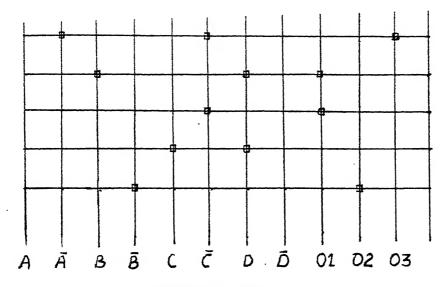
Thus r_i is adjacent to c_j if $Pm[r_i,c_j] = I$ or O_* (Pm is the personality matrix)

Ri denotes the set of rows adjacent to column c_i i.e. $R_i = r_j | r_j$ is adjacent to c_i . C_i denotes the set of columns adjacent to row r_i , $C_i = c_j | c_j$ is adjacent to r_i .

Thus two columns c_i and c_j are disjoint if R_i $R_j = \emptyset$.

An ordered folding pair $[c_i, c_j]$ indicates that c_i and c_j are foldable and c_i is placed above c_j . The folding of a pair of columns $[c_i, c_j]$ introduces the constraint that all the rows adjacent to c_i should be placed over all the rows adjacent to c_j . This is indicated by $R_i > R_j$, also if $r_{ki} \in R_i$ and $r_{kj} \in R_j$ then $r_{ki} > r_{kj}$.

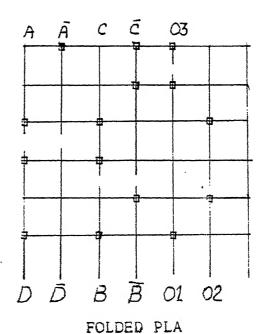
A column disjoint graph is a graph associated with the columns of a PLA. Its vertices (v) is the set of columns and its edges (E) is the set of disjoint columns. It is indicated by G(V,E). $E = \{(c_i,c_j)\}c_i$ and c_j are disjoint. To represent the ordered folding pairs a mixed (with directed and undirected

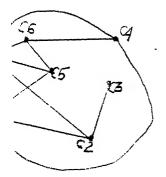


UNFOLDED PLA

(a)

Personality Matrix





UMN DISJOINT GRAPH (c)

(b) c4 c5 c3 (d)

Fig. 5.1

edges) type of graph is constructed. Its set of vertices is V.

of
The set/ordered folding pair (A) constitutes its directed
edges. The remaining of the edges representing disjoint columns
forms the set of undirected edges (E*). It is represented by

G*(V,E,A*). Column disjoint graph of the PLA in Fig.5.1(a) is
shown in Fig.5.1(c)also is shown one of its mixed disjoint graphs.
in Fig. 5.1(d).

5.3 METHODS USED FOR FOLDING

Methods usually used for folding can be broadly divided into two types. One type uses Branch and Bound type of deterministic other approach [14,15]. The/type uses Graph Theoretic algorithms.

Deterministic algorithms can find out the optimal solution if sufficient time is allowed, which can be prohibitively large.

Algorithms based on Graph Theory, on the other hand, can find out a near optimal solution in relatively less time. Hence use of this type of algorithms seems to be preferable.

5.4 GRAPH THEORETIC BASIS OF THE FOLDING PROBLEM

The objective here is to find out as many compatible ordered folding pairs as possible [16]. Alternating path (AP) :- An AP is a sequence of vertices, $K = (V_1, V_2, V_3, V_m)$ of the mixed disjoint graph $G^*(V, E^*, A)$ such that (V_{2p-1}, V_{2p}) A, for p=1,2,...m and (V_{2p}, V_{2p+1}) E^* for p=1,...(m-1).

Theorem 1 : If two folding pairs are compatible then there must

must be a alternating path containing the directed edges representing the pairs in the mixed disjoint matrix.

<u>Proof</u>:- Let $[V_1, V_2]$ and $[V_3, V_4]$ be the directed edges. (i.e $[V_1, V_2]$, $[V_3, V_4]$ A).

They introduces the constraint $R_1 > R_2$ and $R_3 > R_4$. Now let us assume that they are foldable but there is no alternating path connecting them. This implies that (V_1, V_4) and $(V_2, V_3) \to \mathbb{R}^*$. Which in turn implies that $R_1 = R_4 \neq \emptyset$ and $R_2 = R_3 \neq \emptyset$. So there exists some row r_a and r_b such that $r_a = R_1 = R_4$ and $r_b = R_2 = R_3$. From which we get $R_3 > r_a > R_2$. So we have

The above expression says that row r_a is above r_b and the same time also below r_b . Which certainly is not possible. Hence a necessary condition for compatibility of folding of two pair is that there must be an alternating path.

Another thing which naturally follows is that for compatibility of more than two folding pairs there must be an alternating path through each pair of foldable pairs.

condition

Theorem 2: A necessary/for compatibility of a set of foldable pairs is there must be an alternating path containing all the directed edges.

Proof: This/proved by induction on the length of the alternating path. One condition for implementability of an AP is each pair of foldable pair must have an alternating path through them.

Let there be an alternating path with K directed edges. Let there be another directed edge compatible with the other directed edges. The theorem is proved by showing that there exists an alternating path of length K+1 containing the directed edge. Let the existing alternating path be $V_1 \cup_1 - V_2 \cup_2 V_3 \cup_1 - V_2 \cup_2 V_3 \cup_1 - V_2 \cup_2 V_3 \cup_2 V_3 \cup_1 - V_2 \cup_2 -$

Now if this edge also does not exist, then an edge (V_3-U_{K+1}) completes an alternating path. If this does not exist, and continuing in this manner till we reach U_{K+1} . But here we get the alternating path V_1 U_1-V_2 U_2 --- $V_{K-1}-U_{K-1}-V_{K+1}$ $U_{K+1}-V_K$ as shown in Fig. 5.2(c).

The base case here is an alternating path with two directed edge, from Theorem 1. Hence there must exist an alternating path. It is a necessary condition, its satisfaction is not

sufficient for compatibility of folding.

A folding set is said to induce cyclic condition if there exists two rows r_a and r_b such treat

Theorem 3:- The optimal column folding problem is equivalent to finding a longest AP on the associated mixed disjoint graph, such that the path does not induce cyclic ordering on rows.

Proof: As each directed edge in if: represents an ordered folding pair and the longer path contains more directed edges, the
longest AP will represent the optimal column folding.

5.5 PROCEDURE FOR FINDING PATH

This is the most critical part of the procedure. Each point of the path is choosen probabilistically. First a path with no directed edge if found out. Let 1 — K be such a path (Fig. 5.3(a)). K is called the current end vertex. The path is incremented as follows.1) The next vertex (K+1) is choosen probabilistically from the set of the vertices to which K is connected by an undirected edge [16]. 2) Now depending on the status of K+1. The following things are done. a) If K+1 is not on the path then it is added to the path. b) If it is on the path and is the vertex just preceeding K and K+1 is the only

5.6 PROCEDURE

First the personality matrix is read in. Then the column disjoint graph G(V,E) is formed. A column disjoint graph can be represented by a 2-dimensional array or an one dimensional array of list. The array contains as many rows and columns as there are columns in the PLA personality matrix. In other words it is a square array. The elements of the array are boolean number. The (i,j)th element of this array is made true if column c_i is disjoint from c_j else it is made false. After this has been derived a longest path starting from each vertex of G(V,E) is found according to the procedure described above. There will be n paths if there are n vertices. These paths are stored in a list formed by the Pascal data type called pointer.

Now these paths are sorted according to their length. The longest path is selected and is tested for cyclicity of rows. If found that it introduces cyclic condition this path is shortened by deleting an edge. Then all the paths are again sorted according to their lengths. This process is continued till a path is found which does not induce cyclicity in the rows.

The cyclicity can be tested by the following procedure. direct cyclic graph (DAG) is constructed in such a way that if $r_a > r_b$ then there is a directed edge from r_a to r_b . The DAG can also be represented by a square array, which a row and a column for each row of the personality matrix. Any element (i,j) of this matrix is made true if $r_i > r_i$ else it is made false. After construction of the DAG, each column of it is checked to see if all the elements of the column is false. If such a column say K, is found then all the elements of the K th row is made This row, K must be at the top as no other row is above it as indicated by all the false elements of column K of DAG. After this again the same procedure is applied to get the second This is continued till all rows of the personality top most row. matrix are selected or no column can be found with all element If the second case occurs then the path intorduces cyclic condition in rows as/evident by the fact that all rows have at least one row above it. This is physically not possible. This method of finding out the order is called topological sort [18].

The following is the column disjoint matrix of the PLA in Fig. 5.1(a).

The following are the paths found out from each node.

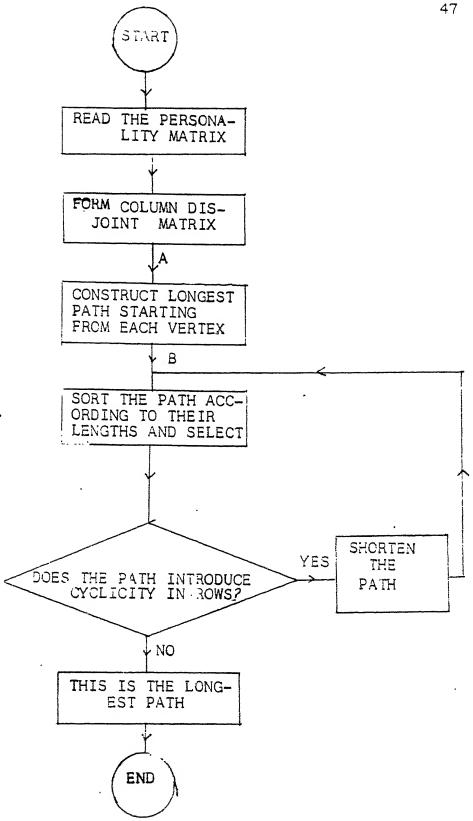
The numbers indicate the position of the columns in the personality matrix from left to right. The first number is the starting node.

The longest path which do not introduce cyclicity in rows is 3 2 7 5 1 4

The compatible row order is

2 4 1 5 6 3 From top to bottom.

The folded PLA is shown in Fig. 5.1(b).



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6.1 INTRODUCTION

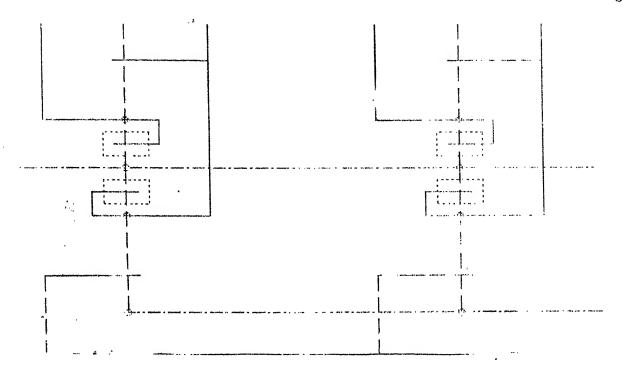
This chapter describes the stick diagram of a PLA. The colour convention of Mead and Conway [1] is adhered to. They are namely, blue represents metal lines, red represents polysilicon lines, green represents diffusion lines and yellow represents ion-implantation. Dimension (i.e. distance between lines) is not important in stick diagram. Stick diagram is a helpful aid to visualise the layout of a circuit.

6.2 FOR UNFOLDED PLA

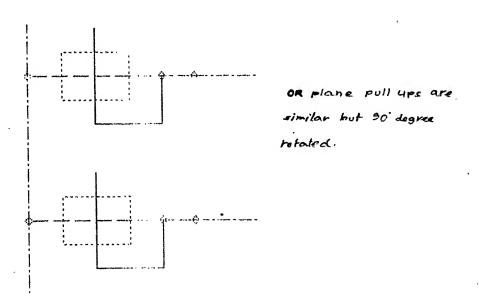
Here first the personality matrix is read in along with number of inputs, number of outputs and number of product terms. First the input pairs (shown in Fig. 6.1) along with the vertical polysilicon lines of the AND plane are drawn. Then the output columns are drawn along with the output inverter and pull-up (Fig. 6.2). Then the horizontal metal lines of AND plane and horzontal polysilicon lines of OR plane are drawn along with the AND plane pull up (Fig. 6.3). Then personalisation diffusion is done. Lastly all the points of same potential are connected and the PLA stick diagram is complete (Fig. 6.4)

The input pair (Fig. 6.1) consists of two inverters with the drains of pull up connected. Power is supplied at this juncture. The external input goes to the gate of the pull down of the lower inverter. The output from this inverter goes to the AND plane as inverted input. Also this output goes to the

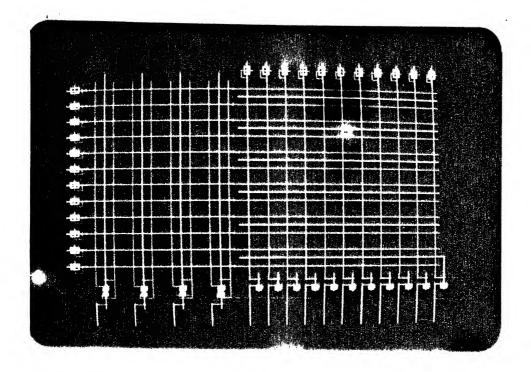
LAYOUT PATTERNS



A PAIR OF INPUT PAIRS FIG 6.1

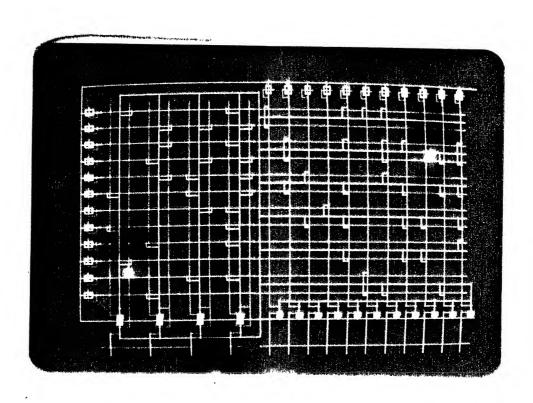


A PAIR OF AND PLANE PULLUPS
FIG 6.2

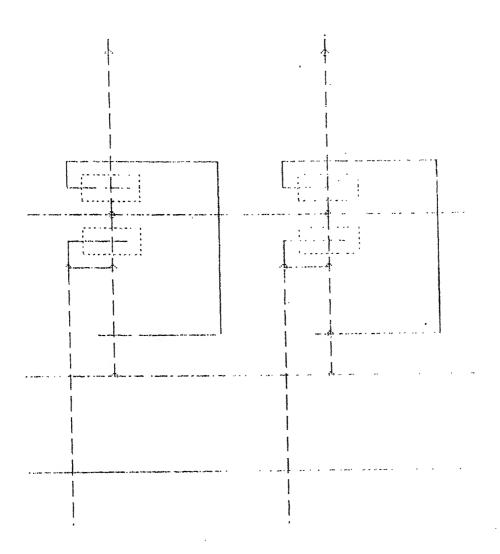


Incomplete PLA with Input Pairs,Output Inverters and Pullups.

Fig. 6.3



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OUPUT MODULE FOR FOLDED PLA
FIG 6-5

pull down of the top inverter. The output from which goes to the AND plane as the inverted input.

up

The source of the pull/is always connected to a metal line (either AND or OR plane).

6.3 FOLDED PLA

but

It is almost similar to the unfolded PLA/with two differences. Cuts may appear in the AND plane polysilicon lines and in the OR plane metal lines. (Fig. 6.5). The other difference is in the arrangement of output inverters and OR plane pull up. Here both the output inverter and the OR plane pull are brought to the same side of the OR plane. This facilitates folding. Otherwise routing of the power supply lines would have been cumbersome. Here the pull up is above the inverter as shown in the figure. The output from the pull up goes to the input of the inverter.

LAYOUT

7.1 INTRODUCTION

This chapter describes the layout diagram of a PLA. The layout shows the exact arrangement of transistors and interconnection. Here also the colour convention of Mead and Conway is adhered to [1]. Colour convention is necessary to show overlapping of different regions.

7.2 COLOUR CONVENTION

Green - represents diffusion region

Red - represents polysilicon region

Blue - represents metal region

Yellow - represents ion-implantation region

Black region surrounded by other region - contact cuts.

The overlapping of regions are indicated by boolean ORing of their colours.

7.3 LAYOUT DESIGN RULES

Here the λ design rules of Mead and Conway [1] are followed. λ represents the highest resolution for photo masking.

The design rules are

1. Two diffusion regions must be separated by a distance of at least 3 λ_{\star}

- 2. Two polysilicon regions and two metal region must be separated by a distance at least 2λ ,
- 3. Parallel polysilicon and diffusion region must be separated by a distance of 2λ .
- 4. The minimum dimension allowed for any region is 2λ ,
- 5. Contact cut above active area is not allowed,
- 6. Contact holes must be at least $2\lambda \times 2\lambda$ in dimension and they must be surrounded by λ thickness of each contacting layer.

7.4 FOR UNFOLDED PLA

For drawing the layout diagram seven different modules are made. Then these modules are placed according to their position.

All these modules are made from a primitive called rectangle of

It draws a rectangle according to the position/lower left corner, of a rectangle the width and the height/and fills its with the specified colour.

This is shown in fig. 7.1.

One module is for the pair of input inverters (IP). This is shown in Fig. 7.2. Dimension are also shown there. Here one inverter is above the other inverter with their drains of pull up connected. Power is supplied at this junction.

The pull ups in the AND plane consist another module (PUA).

This is a single depletion mode transistor, acting as pull up of
the AND plane transistors. This is shown in Fig. 7.3.

Here gate of the transistor is connected to its source.

Fig. 7.4 shows an AND plane module (AC). It consists of and one two vertical polysilicon lines / horizontal metal line. The dimensions are shown in the diagram.

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Fig. 7.5 shows/cell which connects the AND plane and the OR plane (CC). This is another module in the layout diagram. There will be as many connect cells as there are product terms.

module

One / consists of an OR cell (OC). This is similar to an AND plane cell, but is rotated by 90 degree

Another cell, (or module) is the OR plane pull ups (OPU).

This is similar to AND plane pull ups but is rotated clockwise by 90 degrees.

The last module is for the output inverters (OPC). This is shown in Fig. 7.6. It is an inverter with a depletion mode pull up transistor. The pull up is below the pull down.

Fig. 7.7 depicts how the modules are placed for a three input and three output PLA. After this the points at same potential are connected. For this no module is made.

Before drawing the PLA, personalisation diffusions are drawn.

These are nothing but green coloured rectangles.

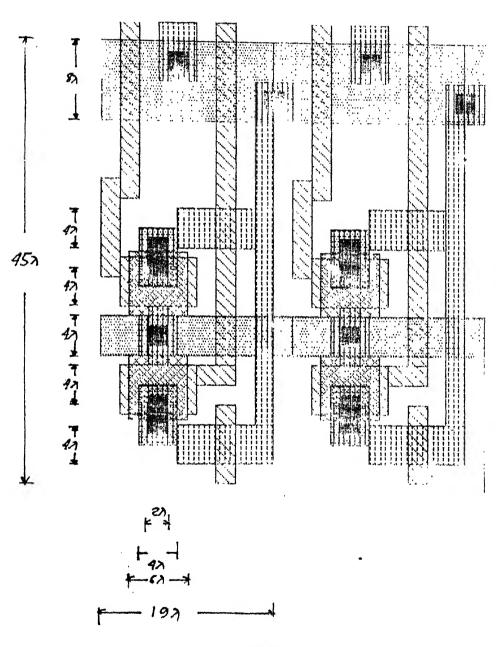
7.5 FOR FOLDED PLA

For folded PLA the layout diagram is almost similar to that of unfolded PLA. There are two main differences. One is, cuts may appear in the AND plane poly lines and OR plane metal lines. The other is the arrangement of the output inverter and the OR plane pull up. First is indicated in Fig. 7.8. The OR plane pull ups and the output inverters are one the same side of the OR plane. These two together form a module. This module (OM) is shown in Fig. 7.9. The pull up is above the inverter. Its source is connected to an OR plane metal line. The pull up of the inverter is below the pull down.

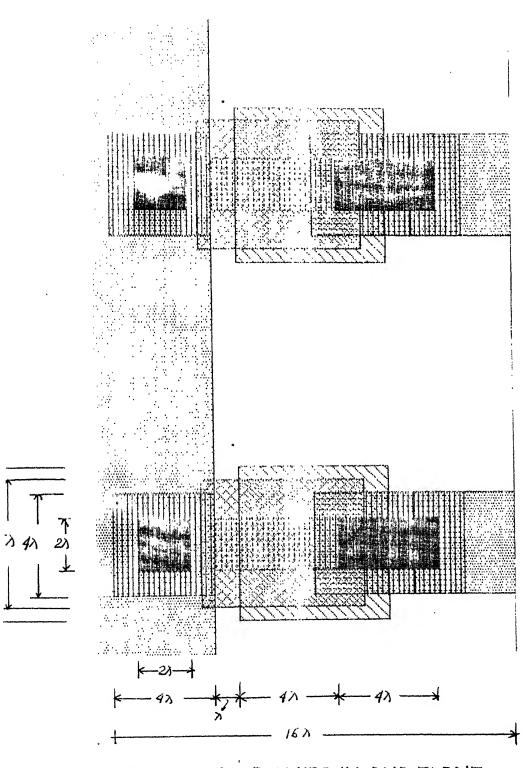
Other minor differences are; input pair may appear at top of the AND plane also; so also output inverters; the number of columns is not equal to the sum of input and output.

The arrangement for a 3 input and 3 output PLA is shown in Fig. 7.10.

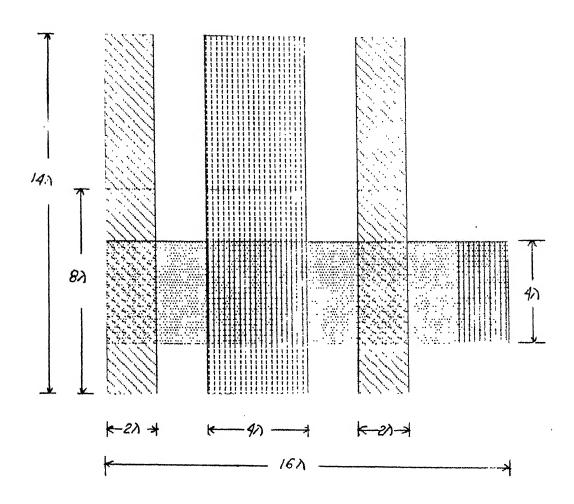
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A PAIR OF INPUT PAIRS



ONE PAIR OF PULLUPS IN AND PLANE FIG 7-3



AND PLANE MODULE FIG 7:4

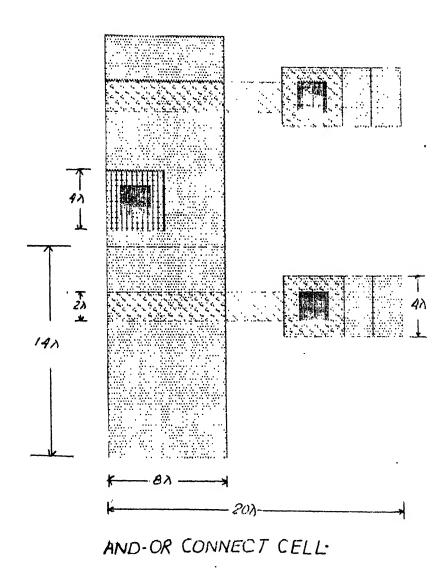
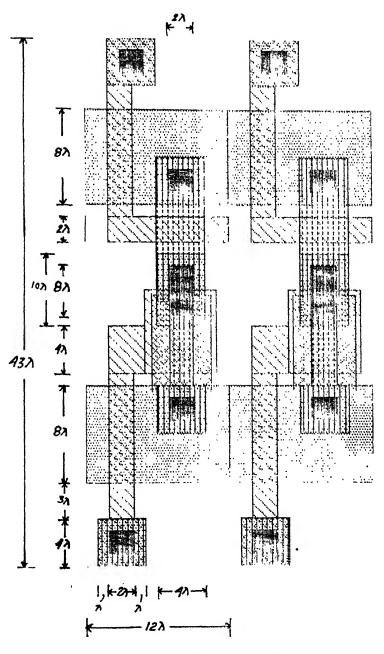


FIG 7.5



PAIR OF OUTPUT INVERTERS
FIG 7-6

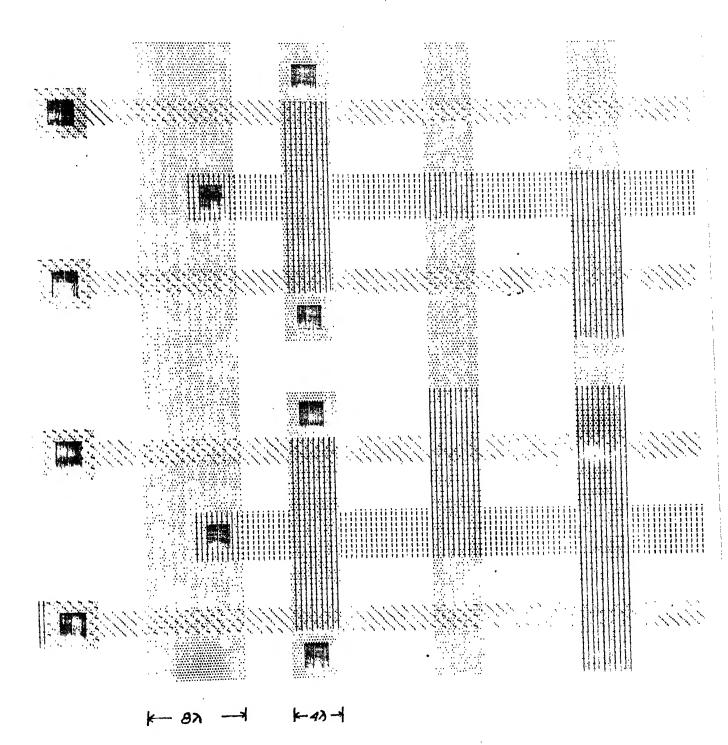
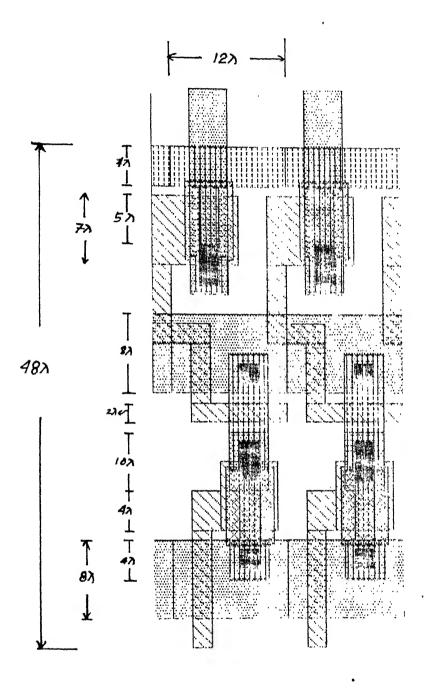


FIG 78 A CUT IN THE OR PLANE



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A PAIR OF OUTPUT MODULES FOR FOLDED PLA FIG 7.9

				•	OPU	OPU	OPU
PUA	AC	AC	AC	cc	oc	oc	oc
PUA	AC	AC	AC	CC	oc	oc	oc
PU:	AC	AC	AC	cc	oc	oc	oc
PUA	AC	AC	AC	cc	00	oc	oc
	<u>ì</u> P	<i>IP</i>	1,P		OPC	OPC	OPC

Arrangement of modules
FIG 7.7

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One cut in AND and another in OR plane

Arrangement of modules in a foldes PLA. FIG 7.10

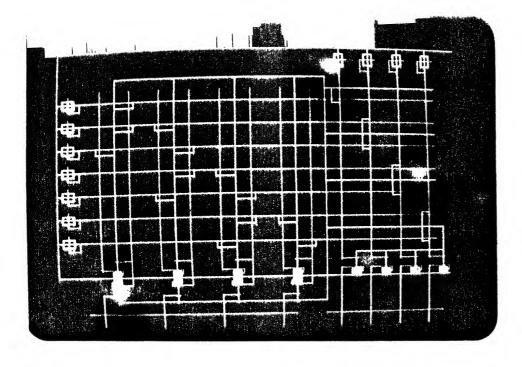
EXAMPLES

8.1 BINARY TO GRAY CODE CONVERTER

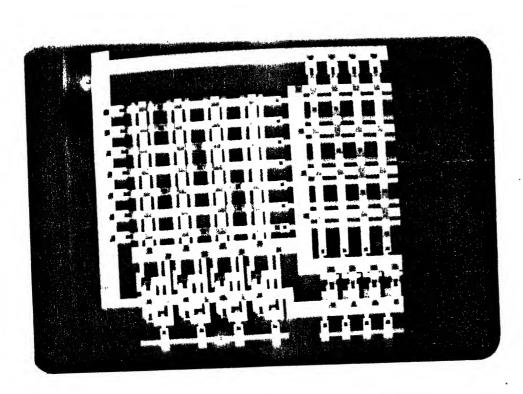
Here number of input is 4 and the number of output is 4. The output functions are expressed in terms of minterms. The input deck for REDUC is shown below (Fig. 8.1(a)).

4	4	
8 9	10 11 12 13 14 15 -1	IXXXIXX
4 5	6 7 8 9 10 11 -1	XIOXXXIX
2 3	4 5 10 11 12 13 -1	XXIOXXXI
1 2	5 6 9 10 13 14 -1	XXO1XXXI
	(a)	3 1 7 5 8 6 4 2 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
		(c)
	IXXXIXXX	
•	IOXXXIXX	
	OIXXXIXX	
	XIOXXXIX	
	XOIXXXIX	
	XXIOXXXI	
	XXOTXXXT	
	(b) Fig. 8.1	

The output from REDUC is the personality matrix shown in Fig. 8.1 (b). This in turn is input to FOLD. The output from FOLD is shown in Fig. 8.1(c). The first number is 7. Hence there are 4 foldable pairs. The unreduced stick and layout diagrams are shown in Fig. 8.2(a) and Fig. 8.2(b) respectively. Fig. 8.3(a) and 8.3(b) shows the reduced stick and layout diagram respectively. The folded stick diagram and layout diagram are Fig. 8.4(a) and 8.4(b) respectively.

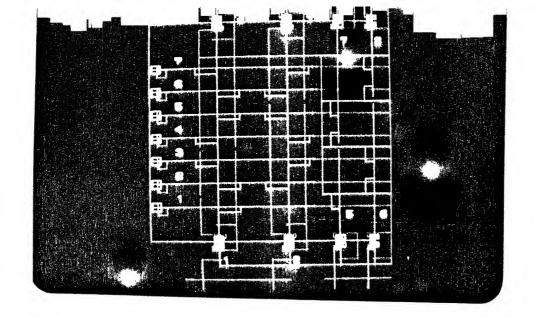


outek dingram for reduced converter (a)

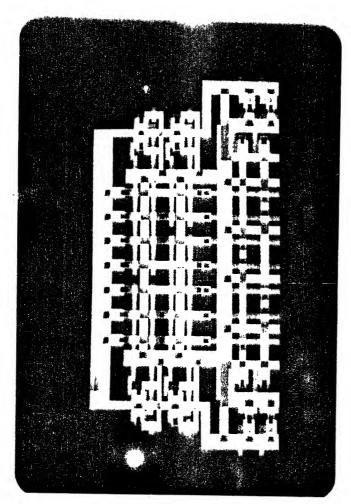


Layout diagram for reduced converter (b)

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Stick diagram for reduced and folded converter (a)



Layout diagram for reduced and folded converter (b)

Fig. 8.4 FOLDED CONVERTER

8.2 SEVEN SEGMENT DISPLAY

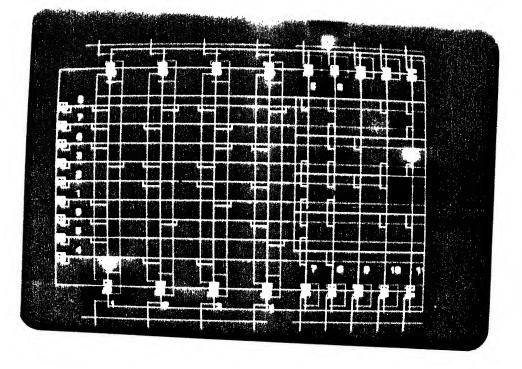
The expressions for the output functions in the input deck are in for REDUC/(Fig. 8.5(a). The number of input here is 4 and number of output here is 7. The first line indicates this.

4	7		
0 2	3 5 6 7 8 9 -1	Α	OXIXIIXXXXX
0 1	2 3 4 \$ 4 8 9 -1	F G B	XOOXXIXXXX
0 1	3 4 5 6 7 8 9 -1	E C	OXXIXXIXXX OXIXXIXXXX
0 2	3 5 6 8 9 -1	D	OOIXXXXIXII
0 2	6 8 -1	· ·	OIXOXIIXXII
0 4	5 6 8 9 -1		5786 876321954
2 3	4 5 6 8 9 -1		
	(a)		(b)

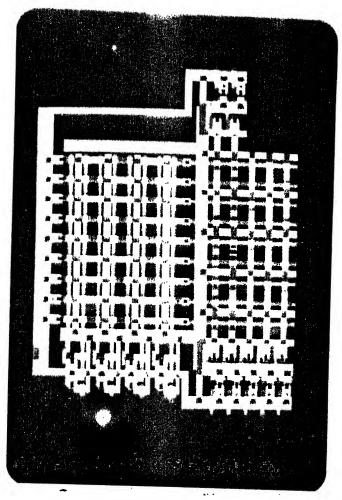
Fig.

The second line in the input deck specifies A in terms of minterm. The third line specifies B and so on. The output from FOLD is shown in Fig. 8.5(b)(output from REDUC is not shown as it is a subset of the output of FOLD). There are two foldable pairs. This reduces the number of columns from 11 to 9.

The folded stick diagrams and layout diagram are shown in Fig. 8.6(a) and 8.6(b) respectively.



Scick diagram for the PLA for display (reduced and folded)
(a)



Layout diagram for the PLA display (reduced and folded) (b)

8.3 3 BIT ADDER

As each operand will have three bits the number of input will be six. The number of output is four. Fig. 8.7 shows the input deck for REDUC. The MSB is specified first, then the other bits.

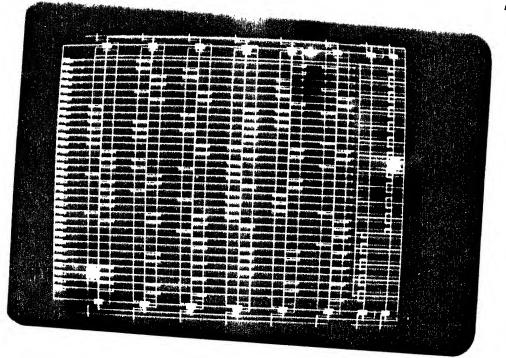
The output from FOLD is shown in Fig. 8.8. The folded stick and layout diagram are shown in Fig. 8.9(a) and Fig. 8.9(b).

8.4 DECADE COUNTER WITH DISPLAY

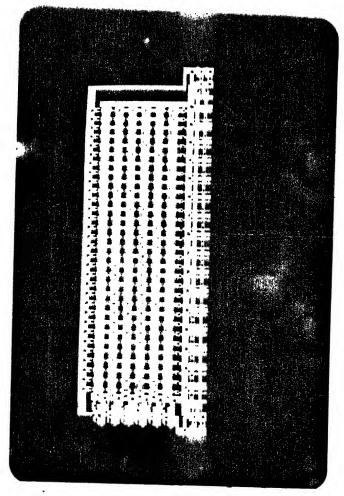
It has 4 inputs. 4 outputs are for the counter circuit and 7 outputs are for seven segment display. The block diagram of the counter and display is shown in Fig. 8.10(a). Fig. 8.10(b) shows the Karnaugh maps of the outputs. The input deck for REDUC is given below.

```
2nd line - W
4 11
7 8 -2 12 13 14 15 11 10 -1
                                             3rd line - X
                                             4th line - Y
3 4 5 6 -2 12 13 14 15 11 10 -1
1 2 5 6 -2 12 13 15 14 11 10 -1
                                             5th line - Z
0 2 4 6 -2 12 13 14 15 11 10 -1
0 2 3 5 6 7 8 9 -2 10 11 12 13 14 15 -1
0 1 2 3 4 7 8 9 -2 10 11 12 13 14 15 -1
0 1 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 -2 10 11 12 13 14 15 -1
0 2 3 5 6 8 9 -2 10 11 12 13 14 15 -1
0 2 6 8 -2 10 11 12 13 14 15 -1
0 4 5 6 8 9 -2 10 11 12 13 14 15 -1
2 3 4 5 6 8 9 -2 10 11 12 13 14 15 -1
```

8	33	52	,		
34	32	51			
31	28	30	•		
28	27	47			
-1 27	-1 26	-1		27 26	
62 24 24	25	63		18 17	
21	60 21	62 44		2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2	
20	39 20	61			
56	56	39	•	23 52 52 52 52 52 52 52 52 52 52 52 52 52	1
16	53	38	63	3 24 11 10	4
53	52	54	62	111111 40 40	1
13	44 13	49 36	61	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	
10	48	31	09	XXXXXX F ® S	
940	11	30	29	·	
4 1-	34	45 29	56	•	
4 2	42	23	57	***********	
4 ω	40	4 %	55	XIXXOIXXXIIXXXXIIXXXXIIXXXXIIXXXXIIXXXXIIXXXX	
33	39	35	54	XXIXXOIXXX XIDXIIXIXXX XIDXOIXIXXX XIOXOOXIXXX XIOXOOXIXXX XIOXOOXXIXX XIOXOOXXIXX XIOXOOXXIXX XIXXIXXX XIXXXXIXX XIOXOOXXXIXX XIXXXXIXX XIOXOOXXXIX XIOXOOXXIXX XIXXXXIXX XIIIXXIXXX XIXXXXIXXX XIIIXXIXX	



Stick diagram for 3 bit adder (reduced and folded) (a)



Layout diagram for 3 bit adder (reduced and folded)

The folded stick diagram along with the D flip flops are shown in Fig. 8.12.

1 2 6 13 8 12 10 8 6 1 5 4 3 9 7 12 11 2

Fig. 8.11

The number in Fig. 8,12 indicates position of a row from top and position of a column from left in the personality matrix of Fig.8.11.

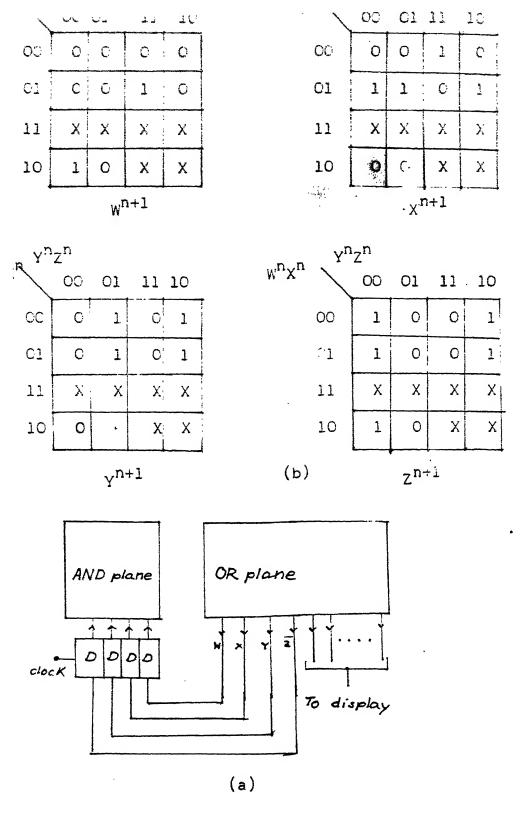
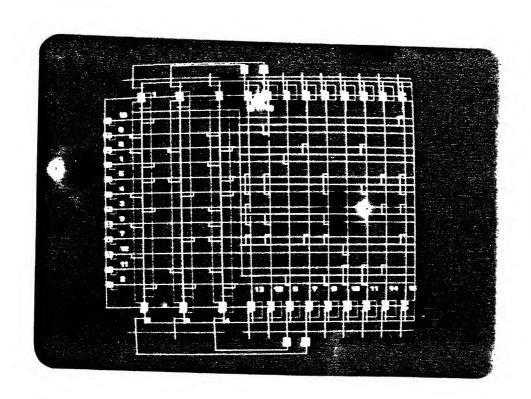


Fig. 8.10 Decade Counter With Display.



Stick diagram for the decade counter with display

Fig. 8.12 Stick Diagram for Counter

8.5 <u>CONCLUSION</u>

In this work, design of Programmable Logic Arrays macros have been considered, including logic minimization and folding. Some examples have been shown in Chapter 8. Many other PLAs have also been generated. The minimization and folding programs are found adequate for moderately large PLAs. The individual modules have been tested by SPICE. Also one example has been tested. SPICE result was found satisfactory. Though sufficient for moderately large PLAs, PLAs with large number of inputs may not be reduced by REDUC. FOLD was able to fold a 50 column PLA.

The folding program can only £old columns. If row folding is also added then it can be more effective. Also minimization and folding can be combined to obtain optimal reduction in area. Adding a code generator for error detection can take PLAGE one step nearer to total automation in design of PLA. Also a PLA partitioner can be added, as it has been seen that in same cases partitioning a PLA into two parts can reduce area more.

APPENDIX A

USERS' MANUAL FOR PLAGE

The general relation between the programs is described in Chapter 3. All together there are seven programs in PLAGE. They are connected by files.

To use PLAGE, the user will have to input data to either REDUCE or DIRECT.

DIRECT is a program which processes the input data to make them suitable for other programs connected to it. Any file with extension INP can be its input file. This data file can be prepared with the program editor (PED) of the ND system. The format of the data file is given below.

lst line no. of inputs(i) no. of product terms(p) no. of outputs(0)
2nd line names of the input variables (must be capital letters,
3rd line Product term expressed in term of input variables (inverse of an input variable is shown by an aposthrophe
following the variable name).

4th line same as 3rd line

(p+4)th. line same as the above, but for the second output. (p+0)th line same as (p+3)th line but for the Oth output.

The following is an example of an input file for the program DIRECT. It describes a full adder circuit where A,B and C are the inputs. S stands for the output sum and C stands for the carry output.

$$S = ABC + \overrightarrow{ABC} + \overrightarrow{ABC} + \overrightarrow{ABC}$$

$$C = AB + AC + BC$$

3 7 2

ABC

ABC

AB C

A*BC*

A'B'C

ABC

AB

AC

BC

1 2 3 4

5 6 7

REDUCLIS a combinational logic minimization program. Its input is any file with the extension INP. Here a function is defined in terms of the decimal expression of the minterms. The first

line of the file contains the number of input the number of output. Then each function is defined in terms of the minterms. Each function definition must be terminated by -1.

Don't care terms can also be added. Don't care terms are defined after the minterms. In this case the conclusion of minterm is indicated by -2. The end of the don't care terms is indicated by -1. The following K-maps defines a boolean function with 4 inputs and two outputs.

00		01 0			00	00 0		11 1	
01	0	1	1	ø	01	1	1	ø	1
11	0	1	1	ø	11	0	ø	1	· 0
10	1	0	0	1	10	0	ø	. 1	0

 f_1 f_2

Here the input file will look as follows

4 2 0 2 5 7 13 15 8 10 -2 6 14 -1 1 3 4 5 6 15 11 -2 7 13 9 -1

Both programs REDUC and DIRECT have the same output file called REDOUT:OUT. For the example cited above the output will look like

3 7 2

IOOIX

XIOIO

OOIIX

IIIII

IIXXI

IXIXI

IXIIX

The above matrix is the personality matrix of the PLA of the boolean function. REDUC also outputs to another file called REDFI:OUT. It gives the detailed description of the boolean function, before reduction and after reduction. This file is not necessary for inter-program communication. But it is essential for the proper execution of REDUC, which unless will show runtime error.

FOLD is a program for column folding of the PLA. The file REDOUT:OUT acts as its input file. Hence to run this program the user does not have to input any extra data. This program has two output files, FOLOUT:OUT and OPFILE:OUT.

FOLOUT:OUT communicates with stick diagram and layout programs. OPFILE:OUT is a file like REDOUT:OUT, it gives a detailed description of the folding process. It is not necessary for inter program communication but is essential for proper running of FOLD. FOLOUT acts as an input file to STKF and LAYF. The format of FOLOUT is same as REDOUT but with three extra lines.

The first line contains an integer. This number gives the path length, The second line gives the pairs that can be folded. This line can be manipulated to change the order of the columns in the stick diagram or layout diagram. The last line gives the order of rows from top to bottom.

The programs STK and LAY takes input data from file REDOUT: OU!

They draw the unfolded PLA. Programs STKF and LAYF reads data

from FOLOUT: OUT and they draw the foled output.

APPENDIX B

SPICE SIMULATION

B.1 SIMULATION

Simulation is an integral part of every design. Before any design is made into reality it has to be checked from every possible point of view. Only after getting satisfactory results from simulation the design is implemented.

Programmable logic Array, as the name suggests, does not have a fixed circuit. Hence general simulation is not possible. So an example is taken for simulation. The example choosen here is the folded / to Gray Code Converter. Its layout and stick is shown elsewhere.

B.2 THE EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT

Fig. B.1 shows the equivalent circuit of the lower portion of the PLA. Here several subcircuits are made. One subcircuit is for the input pairs (IP). For the output inverters and OR plane pull up a subcircuit is made. The following is a description of each subcircuit.

- 1. IP : For input pairs, it contains another subcircuit NIP1,
 it is for one inverter.
 - C1 gate to ground capacitance of pull down
 - C2 gate to ground capacitance of pull up
 - C3 gate to power line capacitance of pull up.
 - Rl resistance of polysilicon from no inverted

- R2 resistance of polysilicon from inverted input to AND plane.
- plane
 2. ANDPR :- For the part of AND/which do not depend on personalisation.
 - Cl horizontal metal to vertical polysilicon capacitance
 - R1 resistance along polysilicon to next AND plane cell
- the
 3. ANDDIF:- For personalisation transistor in/AND plane.
 - Cl capacitance between vertical poly lines and horizontal metal lines.
 - C2 capacitance between metal line and ground.
- 4. NOADIF :- For AND plane cell when there is no personalisation diffusion.
 - Cl and C2 same as that of ANDDIF but not of the same value.
- 5. OP :- Represents the output inverter along with OR plane pull up.
 - C4 capacitance between gate of the pull down of the inverter to ground.
 - C5 capacitance between gate of pull up and power line.

- C6 capacitance between gate of pull up of inverter and ground.
- C7 capacitance between OR plane pull up gate and ground.
- C7D capacitance between OR plane pull up gate and power line.
- R3 resistance of polysilicon from gate of OR plane pull up and inverter pull down
- R2 resistance between external output to gate of inverter pull up.
- 6. ANDPU For AND Plane pull up.
 - Cl capacitance between gate and ground

DRDIF, NORDIF and ORPR are similar to ANDDIF, NOADIF and ANDPR respectively.

B.3 OUTPUT

Here only the most significant bit of the input (1) is changed and the change in output noticed. Others bits in the input are held low. The output should be like the following

-						Particular de la company de la
	Node No.	1	41	40	38	39
***	should be	low	low	low	low	low
	SPICE output	OV	0.1588V	0.1588V	0.1588V	0.1588

continued

Node No.	1	41	40 .	38	39	
should be	high	low	low	high	high	
SPICE output	OV	ov	VO	4.994V	4.994V	

Fig. B.2 shows the transient response at node 39 for the pulse at input (node 1).

From this, the propagation delay time is = 136 nSec.

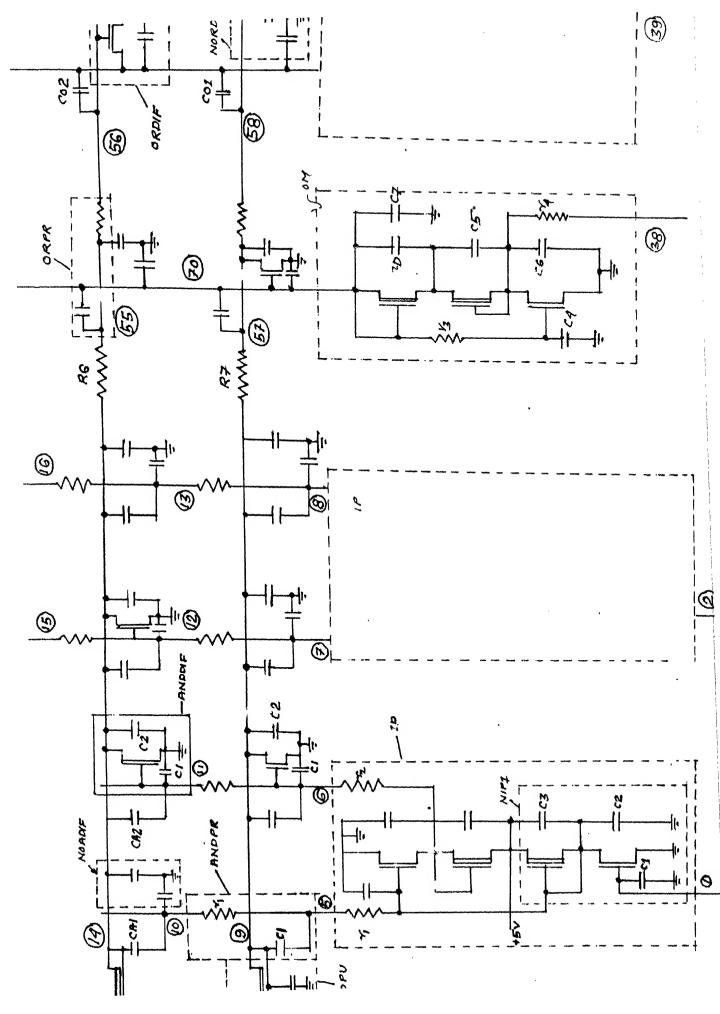
Fig. B. 2 shows the dc transfer characteristic.

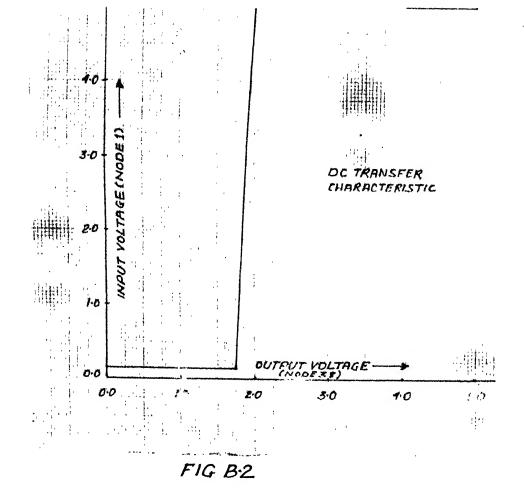
B-4 SPICE INPUT DECK

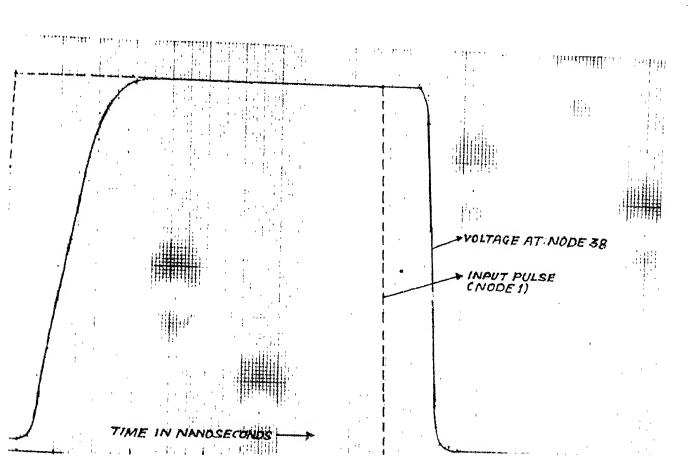
All devices and parasite parameters are taken from [20].

PLA-BINARY TO GRAY

X1 1 5 6 100 IP **X2** 2 7 8 100 IP 3 34 35 100 IP **X3** 4 36 37 100 IP **X4** XPUL 9 100 ANDPU XPU2 14 100 ANDPU XPU3 17 100 ANDPU XPU4 20 100 ANDPU XPU5 23 100 ANDPU XPU6 28 100 ANDPU XPU7 33 100 ANDPU XOP1 70 38 100 OP XOP2 59 39 100 OP XOP3 42 40 100 OP XOP4 43 41 100 OP XANDPRI 9 10 5 ANDPR







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XANDPR2 9 11 6 ANDPR
CA1 17 60 5FF
CA2 17 61 5FF
XANDPR3 9 12 7 ANDPR
XANDPR4 9 13 8 ANDPR
XANDPR5 14 15 12 ANDPR
XANDPR6 14 16 13 ANDPR
XANDPR7 17 18 15 ANDPR
XANDPR8 17 19 16 ANDPR
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CA4 27 23 5FF
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XANDPR20 33 32 37 ANDPR
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R2 28 47
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R4 20 51 600
R5 17 53 600
R6 14 55 600
R7 9
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CO2 59 56 BFF
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XORPR6 47 42 48 ORPR
XORPR7 45 42 46 ORPR
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.SUBCKE NIP1 2 3 4
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C2 3 0 5.6FF
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C7D 1 3 1.6FF
R3 1 4 210
R4 5 2 217
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MD2 3 1 1 10 MDEP L=10U W=5U AS=313P AD=113P PS=70U PD=40U
. ENDS OP
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C1 1 3 5.0FF
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.ENDS ANDPR
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C2 1 0 1.5FF
.ENDS NORDIF
.SUBCKT ORPR 1 2 3
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R1 1 3 180
. ENDS ORPE
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+VTO=0.781 VMAX=15E4 UEXP=0.1 UTRA=0.3 LAMBDA=0.02 UCRIT=1.0E4
.MODEL MDEP NMOS LEVEL=3 TOX=0.3U RSH=35 NSUB=35E14 TPG=+1
+LD=0.2U U0=700 XJ=0.3U CJ=25U CJSW=150P GAMMA=0.1 CGSO=2.8E-10
+NFS=1E10 THETA=0.035 ETA=0.25 KAPPA=0.5 CGD0=2.8E-10 PB=0.7
+VTO=-2.2V VMAX=15E4 UEXP=0.1 UTRA=0.3 LAMBDA=0.02 UCRIT=1.0E4
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R41 41 0 100MEG
R38 38 0 100MEG
R39 39 0 100MEG
VGR 0 100 3V
VIN2 2 0 OV
WIN3 3 O OV
VIN4 4 0 OV
VIN1 1 O PULSE o 5 20N O O 400N 1200N
C38 38 0 0.1PF
C39 39 0 0.1PF
C40 40 0 0.1PF
C41 41 0 0.1PF
.DC VIN1 0 5 0.25
•TRAN 10N 1200N
•PRINT DC V(41) V(40) V(38) V(39) V(43) V(42) V(70) V(59)
•PRINT TRAN V(1) V(41) V(40) V(38) V(39)
.OPTIONS PIVTOL=1.0E-14
-END
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